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It gives me great pleasure to know that the Balaji Publications, Madras-14 are bringing out a book entitled "LEARN TELUGU IN 30 DAYS". I congratulate the publishers for their laudable efforts in bringing out this book which, I am sure, will enable the English knowing people from other parts of the country to understand the essentials of the Telugu language.

I wish the publishers all success.

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To learn a language is to enter a new world and re-live one's life with the zest of a new childhood. This is all the more true of the tourist or the new student of nationalism or humanity.

Andhra is a world of beauty and variety of lands as well as of the people and one can enter into the soul of it easily with even a smattering of the languages of the country. In this book-let Srinivasachari with a few deft touches enables the English-knowing tourist, scholar or official to attain by imperceptible steps to an understanding of the essentials of the medium of the thoughts and feelings of the people.

With minimum or with practically no grammar at all and with the just absolutely necessary basic vocabulary, the author has envolved in the realm of language-teaching an admirable system of his own which is simple as simple can be yet is efficient in the main.

The Balaji Publications are to be heartily congratulated for their great service in the cause of national solidarity and integration as between the linguistic nerve-centres of

the nation. It is a labour of love, making Andhra Pradesh nearer and dearer to the people of the other parts of India and the world, and will certainly also help to bring the other parts of India and the world nearer and closer to the Life of Andhras.

The 30 days or rather the 30 Quarter-hours of the Scheme, with a Quarter of an hour a day for 30 days, would furnish one with a veritable key to one's converse with the Andhras. It is, indeed, desirable that the author and the publisher continue their co-operation yet further and supplement the key with adequate follow-ups, so that the desire born of acquaintance may find its due fulfilment in greater intimacy and the resultant richer harvest of a cultural and national nature to the nation and the people.

Sd/- K. Appadurai

Author's Preface

The learned public are already aware that the good books published by the **Balaji Publications** to learn Tamil through the medium of English, Telugu and Hindi are very popular.

On the request of many friends and well-wishers we are now placing before the public another book to learn Telugu through the medium of English.

There is a good gap between English and Telugu. Telugu contains 54 alphabets while English has only 26. Therefore we have given philological signs to the letters to pronounce the alphabets correctly. The symbols of pronunciation have been given in a separate page.

This book is divided into Four Parts. The **FIRST** part gives complete information about the alphabets. How to begin and how to end the letters in writing have been given in the form of diagrams.

The **SECOND** part deals with Telugu words. We have given pronunciation for the words in this chapter. This chapter contains the names of common commodities and the names of animals, birds etc. If this chapter is mastered one can form sentences using these words and converse freely in Telugu.

In the **THIRD** part one can learn to form sentences, from the sentences containing **three** or four words that are given and also from those given in the forms of questions and answers.

The **FOURTH** part deals with grammar and Essays. The grammar portion contains rules regarding number, gender, case endings etc. Some small essays and models of letter-writing also have been given in this part.

It is hoped that this book will be of great help for national integration.

And also we are confident that this publication will have a good reception from the general public and serve as encouragement for the publication of similar books.

K. SRINIVASACHARI.

Publisher's Note

Of late, people from one part of our country have to travel the other part either on Business or Employment, or Education etc. They find it very difficult to conversant with the local people in their languages. With the result, the purpose of their travel is not-materialised. To over come these difficulties we decided to help those people by publishing National language series so that they could learn various languages through their mother tongue.

This is one of a series of our language books published by us with the main object of reaching one language to read, write and speak through the medium of another within a short period of 30 days.

So far we have Published six books as an Incentive to those who want to learn Tamil through the medium of English, Hindi, Telugu, Kannadam, Malayalam, and Marathi.

As we get good appreciation and encouragement from those who desire to learn another language through our Publications we are now publishing books on other languages in the same order. With that

object we are now placing before the public a book to learn Telugu through the medium of English.

We are deeply indebted to the learned scholar Sri K. Srinivasachari, P.O.L. Siromani & Vishared who has accepted on request in this direction and for the help he is rendering us in preparing these books.

We request the learned public to utilize this publication and recommend to others who desire to learn Telugu.

—THE PUBLISHERS.

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FIRST PART

ALPHABETS

అచ్చులు

VOWELS

అ	A	ఎ	E
ఆ	Ā	ఏ	E
ఇ	I	ఐ	Ai
ఈ	Ī	ఒ	O
ఉ	U	ఓ	Ō
ఊ	U	ఔ	Au
ఋ	R	అం	Am
ౠ	R̄	అః	Ah
ల	L		

HOW TO PRONOUNCE

1. Pronounce the letter 'A' as the first 'A' in the word 'AMERICA'.

2. For 'Ā' pronounce as you do in the word 'FATHER'.

3. The 3rd vowel 'I' is to be pronounced as I in the word 'INDIAN'.

4. The 4th vowel 'Ī' as the two Es in the word 'SWEET'.

5. The 5th vowel 'U' as in the word 'BULL'.

6. The 6th vowel 'Ū' as the two Os in the word 'FOOL'.

7. The vowel 'r' as in the word 'RYTHM'

8. The vowel 'r' with long sound.

9. The 9th vowel 'ĵ' slightly as 'LU'.

10. The letter 'E' as 'A' in the word 'ANY'.

11. The 11th vowel 'Ē' as A in the word 'ATE'.

12. The 12th vowel 'ai' as in the 'ISLAND'.

13. The letter 'O' as you do in the word 'ONE'.

14. The vowel 'Ō' as in the word 'NOTE'.

15. The 'AU' as in the word 'OUT'.

16. The dot like sign as 'M' in 'SIMPLE'.

17. The two dots as 'AHA'.

1. The Second and fourth letters of the groups from I to V have aspirated sound. They should be pronounced with much effort.
2. The 5th letter 'ñ' of the I group should be pronounced as the 'n' in the word 'LONG'.
3. The 5th letter of group II should be pronounced as 'n' is pronounced in the word 'LUNCH'.
4. The First letter of the III group (ṭ) should be pronounced as 't' is pronounced in the word 'TIME'.
5. The letter 'ḍ' should be pronounced as 'd' in the word 'DOG'.
6. The fifth letter of the same group ñ should be pronounced with fully folded tongue.
7. The third letter of the VI group 'rru' should be pronounced with much stress.
8. The fourth letter of the same group '!!' should be pronounced with much effort

HOW TO WRITE?

(VOWELS)

అ ఆ ఇ ఈ ఉ

ఊ ఋ ౠ

ౡ ౢ ఎ ఏ ఐ

ఒ ఓ ఔ అం

అః

HOW TO WRITE?

(CONSONANTS)

క ఖ గ ఘ ఙ చ ఛ
 జ ఝ ఞ ట ఠ డ
 ఢ ణ త థ ద ధ న
 ప ఫ బ భ మ య
 ర ఱ ల ళ వ శ ష
 స హ క్ష

హల్లులు

CONSONANTS

క	ఖ	గ	ఘ	జ	
Ka	kha	ga	gha	ña	I group
చ	ఛ	జ	ఝ	ఞ	
Cha	chha	ja	jha	ña	II group
ట	ఠ	డ	ఢ	ణ	
Ta	ṭha	ḍa	ḍha	ṇa	III group
త	థ	ద	ధ	న	
Ta	tha	da	dha	na	IV group
ప	ఫ	బ	భ	మ	
Pa	pha	ba	bha	ma	V group
య	ర	అ	ల	ళ	
Ya	ra	rra	la	lla	VI group
వ	శ	ష	స	హ	
Va	śa	sha	sa	ha	VII group

Note: The Consonants are only క (k) ఖ (khh) etc. But these consonants are generally used in combination of vowel for the convenience of pronunciation as shown above (k+a=ka) etc.

IDENTIFY THE CORRECT LETTER

అ అ ఇ జ

ఈ ఉ ఈ ధ ధ ణ

ఐ ఏ ఎ

ఋ ౠ

ఌ ఓ ఓ భ బి జి జి

న చ ట త

రి ష య మ

క ఖ ఖ ష స ని వ ష

ర త

హ ధ ధ గ

శ శ

SIGNS OF VOWELS

అ	✓	క ఎ	—	కే
A a		Ka E e		Ke
ఆ	—	కా ఏ	—	కే
Ā ā		Kā Ē ē		Kē
ఇ	—	కి ఐ	—	కై
I i		Ki Ai ia		Kai
ఈ	—	కి ఒ	—	కో
ī ī		Kī Ō o		Ko
ఉ	—	కు ఓ	—	కో
U u		Ku Ō o		Ko
ఊ	—	కూ ఔ	—	కౌ
Ū ū		Kū Au au		Kau
ఋ	—	కృ అం	—	కం
Ru ru		Kṛ Am am		Kam
ౠ	—	కృ అః	—	కః
Lu lu		Kṛ Ah ah		Kah

Note: The Consonants in Combination of all vowel Signs are shown in the succeeding pages.